(i) M|s. Videocon International Limited has two collaborations with M|s. Toshiba Corporation of Japan for which royalty at the rate of 5 per cent subject to Indian taxes for a period of 5 years has been approved. The company has not so far approached the RBI for remittance of royalty.

(ii) M|s. Videocon Appliances Limited has a collaboration agreement with M|s. Matsushita Electric Industries of Japan for which royalty is payable at the rate of 2.5 per cent subject to Indian taxes for a period of 5 years. RBI has allowed remittance of royalty amounting to US $ equivalent to Rs. 10,02,062 for the period from 18-4-90 to 30-9-1990.

(iii) M|s. Videocon VCR Limited has a collaboration agreement with M|s. Toshiba Corporation of Japan. Royalty at the rate of 5 per cent for 5 years subject to Indian taxes has been approved. No payment has been allowed under the agreement so far by the Reserve Bank of India.

(c) The royalty is payable in foreign currency.

Central University status for Allahabad University

142. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government for granting status of a Central University to the Allahabad University in U.P.; and

(b) by when a final decision in this regard is expected?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) Central Government has made certain proposal to Government of Uttar Pradesh for conversion of Allahabad University into a Central University. The matter is under correspondence with the State Government. A final decision would depend on the response of the State Government and availability of financial resources for this purpose. No time frame has been laid down for finalising the matter.

Composition of Minorities Commission

143. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present composition of the Minorities Commission;

(b) whether it is complete at present; and

(c) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to accord it a constitutional status?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b) The present composition of the Minorities Commission is as under:

Chairman

Shri S.M.H. Burney

Members

S|Shri

B. S. Ramoowalia

Ven. Dammaviriyo

Bakin Pertin

M. Vardarajan

Two members namely,

Shri Javen Habib and

Shri K. F. Rustamji who were appointed on 27-3-1991 have not joined.

(c) There is a proposal to accord statutory status.

Recognition to the Electrohomoeopathy System of Medicine

144. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 647 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th March, 1991, and state:

(a) whether any decision has since been taken by Government on the recom-